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Jared E. Munster
DIRECTOR

BBSA No. 14-72
1031 Canal Street

Dear Mr. Munster:

The appellant appeared before the Board of Building Standards and Appeals during its regular monthly meeting on November 13, 2014. All Board members were present with the exception of Damien Serauskas, James Frischhertz and Gerald Billes. Richard Krevit was sitting in for Gerald Billes while Kerwin Julien was sitting in for Damien Serauskas.

The project on 1031 Canal Street is a new construction of a high rise – 17 stories – for multi-use purposes consisting of retail, parking, and residential uses.

The appellant came to the Board to request that he be allowed to use the new 2014 FIRM maps in lieu of the 1984 flood maps still in use today.

The Board voted to accept the appellant's proposal to allow the building review to be based on the new 2014 FEMA FIRM maps which puts the 1st floor elevation at 0.70 in lieu of the City's 18" above the curb requirement.

This decision applies to this case only and does not establish a precedent. Additionally, all other applicable requirements of the International Building Code 2012 Edition as amended by the City of New Orleans shall be met.

Sincerely,



Louis R. Pastor,
Chairman

LRP/amm

Cc: Harry Baker Smith Architects, II
All Board Members